



2001 ASSEMBLY JOINT RESOLUTION 47

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1 **Relating to:** establishing a sister–state relationship with the Cap Vert Region of
2 Senegal.

3 Whereas, African American residents of Wisconsin are developing trade,
4 commerce, and cultural ties with the Senegalese people; and

5 Whereas, Goree Island, which is located in the Cap Vert Region of Senegal, was
6 the debarkation point for African slaves bound for American shores, which makes it
7 extremely likely that there are African Americans currently residing in Wisconsin
8 who are descendants of people from that region; and

9 Whereas, a sister–state relationship would benefit both Wisconsin and the Cap
10 Vert Region of Senegal by facilitating an exchange of information and ideas, by
11 promoting travel between the 2 regions, and by increasing the number of exchange
12 programs between them; now, therefore, be it

